

**CAMBRIDGE WATER BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
May 5, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. at 250 Fresh Pond Parkway in Cambridge Massachusetts. Those in attendance were:

**Cambridge Water Board (CWB):** James A. Burruss, Paul D. Robillard, Ann C. Roosevelt and Philip M. Weinberg.

**Cambridge Water Department (CWD):** Fred Centanni, Sam Corda, Chip Norton and Kathy Toppi

**Guests:** None

**A. MINUTES OF April 14, 2008 MEETING**

Ms. Roosevelt moved and Mr. Burruss seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the April 14<sup>th</sup> meeting as written. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

**B. MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

*Water Week:* This week is water week and the celebrations start today and go all week through Saturday.

*Annual Fresh Pond Reservation Day:* There are many events planned for Saturday May 10, 2008. This event is planned rain or shine.

*Hiring Update:* Working Supervisor: reviewing candidates, Water Systems Maintenance Craftsperson: going to Civil Service list, MEOIIA: reviewing candidates; Distribution Manager: working to get position posted and advertised; Manager of Engineering: interviewing 6 applicants on May 12, 2008; Treatment Plant Operator: Steve Hardy promoted to Team Leader; Treatment Plant Operator: position will be advertised/posted; Watershed Assistant: position has been approved as a 12 month intern; Watershed Supervisor: working to get position posted and advertised; Ranger: taking a leave of absence – Police Academy, in process.

*Budget 2009:* The Water Department's Budget Hearing is Wednesday, May 7, 2008.

*Pharmaceuticals:* Working to answer council order, have tested for 86 compounds in the raw and finished water.

*Cambridge Energy Alliance (CEA):* Had a meeting with the CEA and discussed the possibilities of additional cost reductions to the City energy bill by participating in demand side management. It was also noted that by modifying how we (Water Department) use electricity during the day we have reduced the demand charge to the city by 50%.

*Future Water Board Meeting Topics:* June: Hydro Feasibility Study update and land acquisition strategies; September – Watershed Tour.

**OPERATIONS**

**Transmission and Distribution:**

No Comments

**Watershed:**

*Prospect Point Development Project:* Related Retail is committed to the Project and to working with CWD on the scope of work we will require. Chip Norton to provide Water Board members with background information of Related Retail. Timeline: approximately 1 year away from starting and 3-6 years of construction to complete the project.

*Community Preservation Act:* Meeting on June 5, 2008. It is recommended that the Water Board draft a letter proposing two main areas to be funded: 1) soil restoration/stabilization at Kingsley Park and the Glacken Field slope, 2) establish a natural resource inventory for Water Department owned watershed lands.

*Winter Street Gatehouse:* The installation of the addition stop logs has been completed. This will add about 0.5 billion gallons of storage at Hobbs Brook Reservoir

**Business:**

No comments

**Water Operations:**

No Comments

**Engineering and Program Development:**

No comments

**D. Action Items**

None

**E. Miscellaneous Correspondence and Items of Interest**

No discussion

**F. New Business**

Ms. Roosevelt mentioned that she will again be having the Water Board members over for dinner and she anticipated that this would be sometime in June 2008.

**G. Next Meeting Dates/Topics:**

- Monday, June 9, 2008 – Hydro Feasibility Study update/Land Acquisition strategy
- Monday, September 8, 2008 – Watershed Tour
- Monday, October 6, 2008 – TBA - Treatment Operations
- Monday, November 3, 2008 – TBA - Engineering

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Minutes approved by vote of the Board

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ann C. Roosevelt, President